

CLIFF A. HARRIS

WRITES AGAIN

Gives an Interesting Account of Night Spent at Double Mountain.

By agreement the writer and three companions planned to spend the night on Double Mountain. After several little accidents, such as a punctured tire, a lost hat and an almost overturned auto, we at last came in sight of our destination. We stopped, gazed back at so vast and visible a solitude—behind nothing but one continuous prairie, ahead the rugged Double Mountains. Nature in her majestic playfulness had thrown together these immense rocks in such a fantastic fashion. When viewed at a distance it seemed as if an enormous giant was keeping eternal watch over the birthplace of our great country.

While the boys were striking camps I strolled up the mountainside. Being tired, an inviting stool-like rock being close by, I sat down. Here I sat with those roofless walls about me, the clear, starry sky above me. I felt there was no other token of decay so impressive as the invasions of the paleface into these wild and rugged regions. I closed my eyes and tried to make a series of pictures. At first my fancy saw only the stern and lonely hills. Not a bush since their seed were first scattered over the infant soil had felt the axe.

Hark! a light paddle dips into the river, a hide canoe glides slowly along. Quannah Parker, the great Indian chief, had passed, painted and feather-crowned, armed with bow of hickory, a stone tomahawk and flint-headed arrows.

Another ripple before the first had

hardly vanished—what! an Indian princess singing her wild love song, slowly, slowly drifting down the smooth waters; though the hoot of the owl had been very low, yet she instantly answered the too well known call. A war party of Indians were issuing from their hiding places preparing to make a desperate dash on a little band of home-seekers in the valley below. And elsewhere a Jesuit preached the faith of high cathedrals beneath a canopy of forest bows, distributing crucifixes to be worn beside the brave Texan scalps!

A dream? Yes; whether for better or worse, in short human weakness and strength, passion and policy, his aims and mode of pursuing them may be studied almost as well here as on the theatre of nations.

Progress—what of it? She has set for herself a sudden and terrific pace. Naturally there is a bit of displacement in spots; old viewpoints are bound to shift; old creeds must give way to new ideals; the ancient moulds of thought and economics, religion and government are splitting; our eyes see truths which our ancestors could not behold, and by their light we perceive their errors and their inadequacies.

Merely a few thoughts which I've picked up in my rambles to be deposited in the receptacle of things past and forgotten. C. A. Harris.

BIDS WANTED.

Bids for furnishing the labor and materials necessary for the erection and completion of a frame residence for the A. & M. College are invited, and will be received by the undersigned until Monday, June 3. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the college architect. Right is reserved to reject any and all bids. A certified check of \$500 must accompany each bid.

R. T. MILNER,
President.

TEXAS INDUSTRIAL NOTES

[By Commercial Secretaries.]
Nacoma—Construction of a \$40,000 cold process oil mill has begun here.

Sherman—The attorney general has approved the \$400,000 bond issue for good roads in Grayson county.

San Angelo—July 2 has been set for an election to vote on the issuance of \$70,000 worth of good roads bonds.

Rhame—A 22 1/2 cent tax on the \$100 valuation has been voted for good roads in Wise county.

Sherman—Bonds have been approved and the contract let for the construction of 30,000 feet of sidewalk.

Tyler—The Star-Mayfield company has filed an amendment to its charter increasing its capital stock from \$250,000 to \$275,000.

Nacoma—Ground has been broken here for the erection of a new oil mill to cost \$35,000. The mill is expected to be in operation by September 15.

Plainview—The South Plains Tile Company is installing a new factory in this city which will be completed in a few weeks.

Waxahachie—An election is to be held in this city on June 11 for the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for street paving.

Paris—Announcement has been officially made that the Paris & Mount Pleasant railway will start construction work on its line to Mount Pleasant at once.

San Benito—The Santa Maria extension of the San Benito & Rio Grande Valley Interurban railway has been completed and regular freight service has been installed between these cities.

Plainview—Two hundred and seventy-five acres will be planted in Mexican beans near this city. This is the first attempt to plant this crop on a large scale in this country and the result of the experiment is being looked forward to with much interest by truck growers in this vicinity.

San Antonio—The San Antonio Chamber of Commerce is planning to open a freight bureau in connection with the regular work of that organization. An expert freight and traffic man will be put in charge of the new department.

Dallas—At the eighth annual convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of America, held at Dallas this week, the longest automobile parade ever held in that city took place, more than seven hundred machines taking part.

Maddening Rapid Transit.

The accommodation trains of Germany seldom fail to provoke the wrath of American travelers. One of them thus vented his feelings in a letter home:

"One morning I saw from the carriage window a square forty acre field of some unknown grain. It stretched for a quarter of a mile along the track, and we were just at the first quarter of it. A feeble old man with a reaping hook had begun at that corner to mow directly away from the track round the field. Calling out to him, I asked the name of the grain, but he was probably deaf and did not hear. I sat watching him awhile and then put my question to the passengers. I went to every one in the car, but no one could answer my question. However, with some inquiry served as an introduction, and I passed the day very pleasantly in conversation. Going toward evening, into the smoking compartment, I settled down to read a newspaper, and as the air was close I raised a window. A sharp sound of clashing steel struck my ears. I looked out. We had now arrived by a direct line at the far corner of the field. And the old man, having mowed along three sides, was there, whetting his blade."—Youth's Companion.

Preparing For the Wedding.

There was to be a wedding in eastern Kentucky. Many of the mountaineers would be there. Early in the morning of the nuptial day Bud Hightower was noticed filling an old No. 12 shoe with slugs and nails and plaster of paris.

"What you doin', Bud?" drawled Slim Beasley.

"Kain't you see wot I'm doin'? I'm makin' moonshine sperrits out'n cheese scrapin's."

Slim chuckled.

"Gettin' good an' ready f'r th' weddin', I reckon."

"Goin' to throw it at th' bridegroom, maybe?"

"Goin' to throw it at him, maybe, but it ain't goin' to hit him. It's goin' to break th' face of Salpe Tolliver an' do it accidental too. I been layin' f'r that th' Salpe f'r a right smart spell."

And he drove an extra railway spike in the hardening mass. — Cleveland Plain Dealer.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

May 28.

1797—Toulon, which had been seized by the French royalists, surrendered to the convention troops.

1803—British ship victory captured the French frigate Ambuscade, formerly belonging to the British.

1853—French legislature passed an act restoring capital punishment for attempts on the life of the emperor or to subvert the imperial government.

1861—Savannah blockaded by Union squadron.

1864—Records of Libby prison showed that 97,000 Union prisoners of war had been received there since the battle of Bull Run.

1898—Spanish reserve fleet left Cadiz for a practice cruise.

1903—The Presbyterian General Assembly formally enacted amendments to the confession of faith.

1910—Glenn Curtiss made final preparations for airship flight from New York to Albany.

1911—The Tobacco Trust lost its case in the United States supreme court, Justice Harlan again dissenting to a broad interpretation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

To School Patrons.

The scholastic census is now being taken in all school districts of the county, including the city of Bryan. Parents should see that their children are enrolled with the census trustee not later than the first day of June.

T. W. Parker,

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Brazos Union Lodge No. 129, A. F. & A. M., meets 7:30 p. m. fourth Mondays.

Bryan Chapter No. 222, O. E. S., meets 8 p. m. second Mondays.

Bryan Lodge No. 847, I. O. F., meets 8 p. m. first and third Thursdays.

Brazos Lodge No. 64, Knights of Pythias, meets 8 p. m. first and third Tuesdays.

Vulcan Lodge No. 37, A. O. U. W., meets 8 p. m. second and fourth Thursdays.

Woodmen of the World meets each Friday night.

Bryan Grove No. 460, W. C., meets second and fourth Mondays.

Bryan Tent No. 16, K. O. T. M., meets 8 p. m. first and third Mondays.

Bryan Lodge No. 859, B. P. O. E., meets second and fourth Wednesdays.

L. O. O. M. No. 664, meets first and third Thursdays.

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